II.   CLAIMS

1.   (Currently Amended) A multiple platform architecture data reporting system for managing attribute data in a document processing apparatus, the system, embodied on a computer readable medium in the document processing apparatus, comprising:

a system manager; and

at least one platform controller coupled to the system manager, the system being manager being configured to:

collect attribute data including copyright data pertaining to software from multipleeach platforms controller;

recognize the copyright data in the attribute data ; and

process the copyright data into a list of copyright data for the system; and

a user interface connected to the system manager for displaying the collected attribute data in the list to a user.

2.   (Currently Amended) AThe multiple platform architecture data reporting system as in claim 1 wherein the system manager comprises memory for storing attribute data collected by the system manager.

3.   (Currently Amended) TheA method for managing attribute data in a multiple platform architecturedocument processing apparatus, the method comprising the steps of:

a system controller in the document processing apparatus polling at least two platforms controllers in the document processing apparatus for attribute data;

the system manager collecting the attribute data from the at least two platforms controllers in response to the step of polling; and

displaying the collected attribute data on a user display of the document processing apparatus for managing attribute data in the ~~multiple platform architecture~~document processing apparatus.

4.   (Currently Amended) The~~A~~ method as in claim 3 wherein the step of polling at least two platforms controllers for attribute data further comprises the step of automatically polling the at least two platforms controllers during power on of at least one of the at least two platforms controllers.

5.   (Currently Amended) The~~A~~ method as in claim 3 wherein the step of polling at least two platforms for attribute data further comprises the step of polling at least one of the at least two platforms controllers when polling is initiated by a user request.

6.   (Currently Amended) The~~A~~ method as in claim 3 wherein the step of collecting the attribute data from the at least two platforms in response to the step of polling further comprises the step of collecting the copyright information from the at least two platforms controllers.

7.   (Currently Amended) The~~A~~ method as in claim 3 wherein the step of collecting the attribute data from the at least two platforms in response to the step of polling

further comprises the step of collecting the license information from the at least two platforms controllers.

8.   (Currently Amended) TheA method as in claim 3 wherein the document processing apparatus is a copier, a fax machine, a computer printer, a scanner or a multifunction device the step of collecting the attribute data from the at least two platforms in response to the step of polling further comprises the step of storing the attribute data in non-volatile memory.

9.   (Currently Amended) TheA method as in claim 3 wherein the step of displaying the collected attribute data on a user display further comprises the step of automatically displaying the attribute data collected from the at least two platforms controllers.

10.   (Currently Amended) TheA method as in claim 3 wherein the step of displaying the collected attribute data on a user display further comprises the step of manually displaying the attribute data collected from the at least two platforms controllers.

11.   (Currently Amended) TheA method as in claim 3 wherein the step of displaying the collected attribute data on a user display further comprises the step of displaying only non- copyright attribute data collected from the at least two platforms.

12.   (Currently Amended) A software copyright information managing system embodied on a computer readable medium for managing software copyright data in a document processing apparatusmultiple platform electronic architecture, the system comprising:

a system controller;

at least one platform controller coupled to the system controller, the system controller being configured to ~~for~~ collecting the software copyright data stored on each platform controller~~from multiple platforms~~;

a user interface connected to the system controller for displaying the software copyright data from the memory to a user.

13. (Currently Amended) The~~A~~ software copyright information managing system as in claim 12 wherein the system controller for collecting the software copyright data from multiple platforms further comprises a memory for storing the software copyright data collected by the system controller.

14. (Currently Amended) The~~A~~ software copyright information managing system as in claim 13 wherein the document processing apparatus is a copier, a fax machine, a computer printer, a scanner or a multifunction device ~~memory for storing the software copyright data collected by the system controller further comprises non-volatile memory~~.

15. (Currently Amended) The multiple platform architecture data reporting system as in Claim 1 wherein the system manager collects attribute data from ~~multiple~~ platforms controller simultaneously.

16. (Currently Amended) The multiple platform architecture data reporting system as in Claim 1 wherein the attribute data collected is attribute data stored on ~~the multiple~~ each platforms controller and is passed to the user interface.

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17.   (Previously Presented) The system of claim 1 wherein the list is a list of copyright years for the system in its entirety.

18.   (Previously Presented) The system of claim 1 wherein the attribute data comprises copyright and license data related to software.

19.   (Previously Presented) The system of claim 1 wherein the attribute data is a list of copyright years related to each software object of the system.

20.   (Currently Amended) The system of claim 1 wherein the ~~multiple platforms comprise~~ document processing apparatus is a copier, a fax machine, a computer printer, a scanner or a multifunction device.

21. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 3 further comprising the attribute data comprising copyright data for each software object on each platform controller.